

**Amendments to the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 38-70. Please add new claim 71, listed here. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-70 (canceled).

---

71. (new) A method for communicating via a network, comprising:

receiving at a telephone a verbal communication from a person;

converting the verbal communication into electrical signals having a format that complies with the Internet protocol;

transmitting the electrical signals having a format that complies with the Internet protocol to a remote location;

at the remote location, converting the electrical signals having a format that complies with the Internet protocol into a reproduction of the verbal communication.

---